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Department Of PA VFW State Convention

**June 12, 2024 - June 16, 2024
Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel
4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA. 17111
717-558-4607**

AGENDA



- **ROLL CALLS MAY BE TAKEN ANYTIME. THOSE WHO RECEIVE PER DIEM MUST BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE PER DIEM. IF YOU ARE NOT PRESENT FOR A ROLL CALL, THEN YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL NOT BE REIMBURSED**

ALL HOSPITALITY ROOMS MUST BE CLOSED DURING BUSINESS SESSIONS

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

1:00 PM	Pre-Con Meeting	TBA
2:00 PM	Veterans Service Meeting	TBA
3:00 PM	VFW Finance Committee Meeting	TBA

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

8:00AM-4:00PM	Set Up VFW Programs and Exhibitors Booth	TBA
8:00 AM-4:00 PM	VFW Registration	TBA
1:00 PM	Current District Commanders Pre-Meeting	TBA
2:00 PM	5 TH COA Meeting	TBA
TBA	Memorial Services	TBA

8 PM

ROLUTIONS COMMITTEES:
 BY-LAWS & RITUAL COMMITTEE
 NATIONAL SECURITY/ FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
 POW / MIA SUB-COMMITTEE
 VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE
 VETERANS SERVICE SUB COMMITTEE
 COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MINUTES AND CONVENTION RULES

Thursday, June 13, 2024

8:00AM-4:00PM	VFW Programs and Exhibitor Tables	TBD
8:00AM-4:00PM	VFW Registration	TBD
8:00 AM–11:00 AM	VFW Joint Opening Session	TBD

Presentation of Colors -
Opening Prayer -
Pledge of Allegiance -

VFW Color Guard
State Chaplain - Rev. Peter Hook
State Sgt-At-Arms --David Swanson

WELCOME:

STATE COMMANDER
STATE SR. VICE COMMANDER
STATE JR. VICE COMMANDER
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

DAVID W. "SPIKE" GYGER
BARBARA LONCAR
WILLIAM ROLAND
MARY-JEAN MASTRIDGE

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

NATIONAL ADJUTANT GENERAL
NATIONAL AUXILIARY REPRESENTATIVE

DAN WEST
SANDI KRIEBEL

2023-2024 DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

ALL STATE DISTRICT COMMANDERS
CAPTAIN OF THE ALL-STATE COMMANDERS/QUARTERMASTERS
ALL STATE POST COMMANDERS/QUARTERMASTERS
SALVO AWARD (MEMBERSHIP)
CERTIFIED NATIONAL RECRUITER AWARD
ROBERT MUSSER MEMORIAL PLAQUE
VANZANDT AWARD
AUXILIARY AWARDS
ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATE ADJUTANT JOHN GETZ

12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

VFW RIDERS RIDE

FRONT OF HOTEL

~~~ END OF JOINT SESSION ~~~

### 2024-2025 VFW STATE LEADERSHIP PHOTOS:

**PHOTO SESSION WILL START 15 MINUTES AFTER THE SESSION ENDS AND LAST FOR ONE HOUR.**

# Friday June 14, 2024

**8:00AM-4:00PM**

VFW PROGRAMS AND EXHIBITOR TABLES

## 1<sup>ST</sup> BUSINESS SESSION

**8:00 AM**

|                                    |                                        |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| CALL TO ORDER:                     | STATE COMMANDER DAVID W. "SPIKE" GYGER |
| OPENING PRAYER                     | STATE CHAPLAIN PETER HOOK              |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE               | STATE SGT-AT-ARMS DAVID SWANSON        |
| CONVENTION RULES                   | PSC HANZES AND PSC REESE               |
| NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE AWARD         |                                        |
| BUDDY POPPY AWARD                  | ROBERT MARSHALL                        |
| HEALTH CARE AWARD                  | RUTH FAIRCHILD                         |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD            | JODIE HARTLE                           |
| YOUTH ACTIVITY & SCOUTING AWARD    |                                        |
| STATE CHAPLAIN'S AWARD             | REV. PETER HOOK                        |
| VETERANS COURT ADVOCATE AWARD      | JEFF PUCKETT                           |
| WEBSITE AWARD                      | MAC MCKENZIE                           |
| NEWSLETTER AWARD                   | MAC MCKENZIE                           |
| STATE SURGEON AWARD:               | WILLIAM STELFOX                        |
| CONVENTION RULES:                  |                                        |
| CREDENTIAL REPORT:                 | BARBARA KOLLAR                         |
| SAFETY AWARD                       | JIM LEWIS                              |
| BY-LAWS-PROPOSED CHANGES :         | PSC GLENN UMBERGER                     |
| NATIONAL SECURITY/FOREIGN AFFAIRS: | TBD                                    |
| VETERANS SERVICE RESOLUTIONS:      | TBD                                    |
| VETERANS SERVICE SUB-COMMITTEE:    | TBD                                    |
| POW/MIA RESOLUTIONS:               | TBD                                    |
| FINANCE REPORT:                    | PSC ROBERT EILER                       |

**ALL CHAIRMEN WILL PROVIDE THEIR REPORTS**

## 2<sup>ND</sup> BUSINESS SESSION

**1:00 PM**

**TBD**

|                      |                                        |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| CALL TO ORDER        | STATE COMMANDER DAVID W. "SPIKE" GYGER |
| OPENING PRAYER       | STATE CHAPLAIN REV. PETER HOOK         |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | STATE SGT-AT-ARMS DAVID SWANSON        |

CREDENTIAL REPORT

**LCB BRIEFING**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**\*\*\* NOMINATIONS OF 2024-2025 OFFICERS \*\*\***

**(NOTE: ALL CANDIDATES MUST FILL OUT OFFICER CANDIDATE FORM)**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATE ADJUTANT JOHN GETZ

**2024-2025 VFW STATE LEADERSHIP PHOTOS**

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|         |                                         |     |
|---------|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 6:45 PM | VFW COMMANDER LINE-UP                   | TBD |
|         | AUXILIARY PRESIDENT LINE-UP             | TBD |
| 7:00 PM | PATRIOTIC RALLY (DRESS CODE: PATRIOTIC) | TBD |

**Saturday June 15, 2024**

|                 |                                   |     |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 8:00AM-3:00PM   | VFW PROGRAMS AND EXHIBITOR TABLES | TBD |
| 6:30 AM-7:15 AM | VFW REGISTRATION                  | TBD |

**FINAL BUSINESS SESSION**

|                      |                                        |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 8:00 AM              | TBD                                    |
| CALL TO ORDER        | STATE COMMANDER DAVID W. "SPIKE" GYGER |
| OPENING PRAYER       | STATE CHAPLAIN REV. PETER HOOK         |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | STATE SGT-AT-ARMS DAVID SWANSON        |
| CREDENTIAL REPORT    |                                        |

**FINAL NOMINATION, ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF 2024-2025 VFW**

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS: STATE ADJUTANT JOHN GETZ

CLOSING OF CONVENTION: IMMEDIATE PAST STATE COMMANDER DAVID W. "SPIKE" GYGER

**THE NEW 2024-2025 COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION WILL MEET IMMEDIATELY  
FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION**

**2024-2025 NEW COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION GROUP PHOTO WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE  
MEETING BEGINS IN THE \*TBD\***

RECEPTION:

HOSTED BY:  
STATE COMMANDER BARBARA LONCAR

DRESS CODE – SUNDAY BEST AND/OR VFW POLO AND SLACKS

**Thank you for attending the 2024 PA State Convention**  
**Safe travels home!!**

